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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

NOVOZYMES BIOAG, INC.) In re Matter of Trademark) Application No. 77/942162) Filed: Feb. 23, 2011
Opposer,)
) Opposition No. 91200105
V.)
)
CLEARY CHEMICALS, LLC, Applicant.)))
)

APPLICANT'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT ON ITS COUNTERCLAIM THAT REGISTRATION NO. 3,511,124 IS VOID *AB INITIO*, AND BRIEF IN SUPPORT

Now comes Applicant CLEARY CHEMICALS, LLC ("Cleary") and, pursuant to Rule 56(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure made applicable to proceedings before the Board by 37 CFR §2.116(a), moves the Board for summary judgment cancelling U.S. Registration No. 3,511,124 for the trademark TORQUE for "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops" of Opposer NOVOZYMES BIOAG, INC. ("Novozymes") as void *ab initio* on one or both of the following grounds for which there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact, rendering Cleary entitled to summary judgment as a matter of law:

- the applicant did not use the mark in commerce as of the filing date of application;
- the applicant did not control the nature and quality of the goods sold under the mark TORQUE mark as of the date of application.

These claims are the subject of Cleary's Motion for Leave to Amend Counterclaim (Doc. __) (filed simultaneously with this motion for summary judgment), and may be deemed denied for purposes of the Board's consideration of this motion for summary judgment. *Societe Des*

Produits Marnier Lapostolle v. Distillerie Moccia S.R.L., 10 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1241, 1242 n. 4 (TTAB 1989). The claims are set forth with particularity in the Brief In Support below, and supported by the attached answers to interrogatories and admissions, and the file of Registration No. 3,511,124.

BRIEF IN SUPPORT

I. Summary Judgment.

A party may move for summary judgment on a claim, and the Board shall grant summary judgment if the movant shows that there is no genuine dispute as to any material fact and the movant is entitled to judgment as a matter of law. Fed. R. Civ. P. 56(a). A fact is material if it is one that may affect the decision, whereby the finding of that fact is relevant and necessary to the proceedings. *Opryland USA Inc. v. Great American Music Show, Inc.*, 23 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1471, 1472 (Fed. Cir. 1992), *citing Anderson v. Liberty Lobby, Inc.*, 477 U.S. 242, 248 (1986).

A dispute is genuine only if on the entirety of the record a reasonable jury could resolve a factual matter in favor of the non-movant. *Sweats Fashions, Inc. v. Pannill Knitting Co., Inc.*, 833 F.2d 1560, 1562, 4 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1793, 1795 (Fed. Cir. 1987).

It is not incumbent upon the movant to produce evidence showing the absence of a genuine issue of material fact. *Sweats Fashions*, 833 F.2d at 1563. Rather, the burden of the moving party may be discharged by pointing out to the Board the absence of evidence to support the nonmoving party's case. *Id.*

Where the movant has supported its motion with evidence that would establish its right to judgment, the non-movant may not rest upon general denials in its pleadings or otherwise, but must proffer countering evidence sufficient to create a genuine factual dispute. *Sweats Fashions*, F.2d at 1562.

II. Cleary's Standing.

Cleary markets the following products for the turf and ornamental industries: fungicides, limestone, animal repellants, insecticides, colorants, tank cleaners, defoamers, soil decontaminators, and anti-transparent. Since at least February 23, 2010, Cleary has used the mark TORQUE in connection with its sales of turf and ornamental fungicide. Novozymes has opposed Cleary's registration of the mark TORQUE, and has objected and is likely to continue to object to Cleary's continued use of the mark. Therefore, Cleary's standing is inherent in its position as defendant to the Notice of Opposition (Doc. 1). *Ohio State University v. Ohio University*, 51 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1289, 1293 (TTAB 1999) ("applicant's standing to assert the counterclaim arises from applicant's position as a defendant in the opposition and cancellation initiated by oppose").

III. Novozymes' Registration Is Void *Ab Initio*.

An application based on use in commerce must be filed by the party who is the owner of the mark as of the application filing date. If the entity filing the application is not the owner of the mark as of the filing date, the application is void *ab initio*. See Trademark Act Section 1(a), 15 U.S.C. 1051(a); Trademark Rule 2.71(d), 37 CFR §2.71(d). This statutory requirement cannot be waived. *Huang v. Tzu Wei Chen Food Co. Ltd.*, 849 F.2d 1458, 7 U.S.P.Q. 2d 1335 (Fed. Cir. 1988).

A claim of ownership may be based on use by a related company. But, to the extent that a claim of ownership is based on use by a related company, such facts must be alleged in the application. 37 C.F.R. §2.38(b).

Novozymes alleges ownership through assignment from Merck KGaA ("Merck") of United States Registration No. 3,511,124 for the mark TORQUE for "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops." A copy of the TESS and the assignment

documents are attached as Exhibits A and B, respectively. The application to register TORQUE, which issued as U.S. Registration No. 3,511,124, was filed as a use-based application under 15 U.S.C. §1051(a). A copy of the application is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

The application to register TORQUE was filed electronically in the name of the general partners of Merck KGaA ("Merck"), the same being Dr. Karl-Ludwig Kley, Dr. Michael Becker, Mr. Elmar Schnee, Dr. Bernd Reckmann, and Mr. Walter W. Zywottek, on October 19, 2007. It was neither signed by the general partners nor the attorney who filed the application. No signature was submitted. An Office Action issued on November 29, 2007 in which Merck was advised among other things that the application was not signed and verified. A copy of that Office Action is attached as Exhibit D.

In response to that Office Action, a declaration was filed on May 27, 2008 in which it was declared that Merck was the applicant. No facts declaring that Merck's claim of ownership was based on use by a related company were set forth in the declaration. A copy of that declaration is attached as Exhibit E.

Merck, itself, made no use of the mark TORQUE prior to and was not the owner of the mark TORQUE on October 19, 2007. See, generally, Novozymes' Answers to Applicant's First Set of Combined Discovery Requests, attached as Exhibit F. Novozymes has admitted that Merck's only use on the filing date of the application was through a related company, EMD Crop Bioscience, Inc. (See, Exhibit F, response to Request for Admission No. 21). Novozymes has also admitted that Merck did not identify that related company in its declaration. (See, Exhibit F, response to Request for Admission No. 20). Finally, Novozymes has further admitted that it has no knowledge of why Merck filed the application to register the mark TORQUE and not EMD apart from the fact that it routinely did so. (See, Exhibit F, response to Interrogatory No. 7).

Because Merck had made no use of the mark TOROUE as of October 19, 2007 and did not

claim ownership rights through a related company, the application from which TORQUE

registered was void ab initio. Because the application was void ab initio, Cleary's counterclaim

to cancel Registration No. 3,511,124 should be granted.

Further, based upon Novozymes answer to Interrogatory No. 7, there is an absence of

evidence that Merck controlled the nature and quality of the goods sold under the mark

TORQUE by EMD. Therefore, the application from which TORQUE registered is void ab initio

and Registration No. 3,511,124 is should be cancelled on this additional/alternate ground.

IV. Conclusion.

Novozymes has admitted that applicant's only use of the mark TORQUE prior to and on

the filing date of the application that issued as U.S. Registration No. 3,511,124 was through a

related company, and that related company was not identified in the application. Further, by

admitting that it knows of no reason why applicant filed the application instead of EMD apart

from the fact that applicant routinely did so, supports the absence of evidence that the applicant

controlled the nature and quality of the goods on the filing date of the application. As such the

Board should deem the application that issued as U.S. Registration No. 3,511,123 void ab initio,

and sustain Cleary's cancellation counterclaim.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dated: December 21, 2012

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Mark: **TORQUE**

TORQUE

Oct. 07, 2008

US Serial Application 77308151 Oct. 19, 2007

Number: Filing Date:

3511124 Number: Date:

Trademark Mark Type:

US Registration

Register:

Registered. The registration date is used to determine when post-registration Status:

Registration

maintenance documents are due.

Status Date: Oct. 07, 2008

Publication Date:

Jul. 22, 2008

Principal

Mark Information

Mark Literal **TORQUE** Elements:

Yes. The mark consists of standard characters without claim to any particular Standard

Character Claim: font style, size, or color.

Mark Drawing

Type:

4 - STANDARD CHARACTER MARK

Goods and Services

Note:

The following symbols indicate that the registrant/owner has amended the goods/services:

- Brackets [..] indicate deleted goods/services;
- Double parenthesis ((..)) identify any goods/services not claimed in a Section 15 affidavit of incontestability; and
- Asterisks *..* identify additional (new) wording in the goods/services.

For: Natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops International Class:

001 - Primary Class

U.S Class:

001, 005, 006, 010, 026, 046

Class Status:

ACTIVE

Basis:

1(a)

First Use:

Jun. 25, 2007

Use in Commerce: Jun. 25, 2007

Basis Information (Case Level)

Filed Use:

Yes

Currently Use:

Yes

Amended Use:

No

Filed ITU:

No

Currently ITU: No

Amended ITU:

No

Filed 44D:

No

Currently 44D:

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Amended 44D:

No

Filed 44E:

No No

Currently 44E:

No No Amended 44E: No

Filed 66A:

Filed No Basis: No

Currently 66A:

Currently No Basis:

No

Current Owner(s) Information

Owner Name:

NOVOZYMES BIOAG, INC.

13100 WEST LISBON AVENUE

Owner Address: BROOKFIELD, WISCONSIN 53005

UNITED STATES

Legal Entity

Type:

CORPORATION

State or Country

Where

DELAWARE

Organized:

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Name: MERCK KGAA Execution Date: Feb. 07, 2011

State or Country

Legal Entity Type: CORPORATION Where GERMANY

Organized:

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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

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CONVEYING PARTY DATA

Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
Merck KGaA		02/07/2011	CORPORATION: GERMANY

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City:	Brookfield			
State/Country:	WISCONSIN			
Postal Code:	53005			
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PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 1

Property Type	Number	Word Mark
Registration Number:	3511124	TORQUE

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ASSIGNMENT OF TRADEMARK RIGHTS

This Assignment of Trademark Rights (this "Assignment"), is dated as of February 7, 2011 and effective immediately prior to the Closing (as defined in that certain Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2010, by and among the Assignors (as defined below) and the other parties named therein) (the "Effective Date"), by and among EMD Chemicals Inc., a New York corporation, having a principal place of business at 480 S. Democrat Road, Gibbstown, NJ 08027, USA ("EMD Chemicals"), Merck KGaA, a corporation with general partners (Kommanditgesellschaft auf Aktien) organized under the laws of the Federal Republic of Germany and registered with the commercial register (Handelsregister) of the municipal court (Amtsgericht) of Darmstadt, Federal Republic of Germany, under HRB 6164, having a principal place of business at Frankfurter Str. 250, 64293 Darmstadt, Germany ("Merck KGaA"), EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the province of Ontario, with its registered agent's office at c/o EMD Crop BioScience Inc., 13100 West Lisbon Avenue, Suite 600, Brookfield, WI 53005, USA ("EMD Canada" and, collectively with EMD Chemicals and Merck KGaA, the "Assignors"), and EMD Crop BioScience Inc., a Delaware corporation, having a principal place of business at 13100 West Lisbon Avenue, Suite 600, Brookfield, WI 53005, USA (the "Assignee").

WHEREAS, pursuant to that certain Purchase Agreement, dated as of December 19, 2010, by and among the Assignors, the Assignee and the other parties named therein, the Assignors have agreed to transfer, sell, convey, assign and deliver to the Assignee, and the Assignee has agreed to purchase, acquire and accept from the Assignors, all right, title and interest of the Assignors in, to and under certain trademark registrations and applications that are used solely in the Business (as defined therein), as set forth on Schedule A, and certain Internet domain names that are used solely in the Business, as set forth on Schedule B (Schedule A and Schedule B collectively, "Assigned Marks").

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Assignors hereby transfer, sell, convey, assign and deliver to the Assignee, and the Assignee hereby purchases, acquires, accepts and assumes, the Assignors' entire right, title and interest in, to and under the Assigned Marks, together with the goodwill symbolized by any of the Assigned Marks, and all rights that the Assignors may have anywhere in the world to sue for any past infringement or misappropriation of any of the Assigned Marks, or injury to the goodwill symbolized by any of the Assigned Marks.
- 2. From time to time, and when requested by the Assignee, the Assignors shall execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such documents and instruments and shall take, or cause to be taken, all such further or other actions as the Assignee may reasonably deem necessary or desirable to consummate and record this Assignment in any and all jurisdictions throughout the world, including promptly executing and delivering to the Assignee such assignments and other instruments as the Assignee or its counsel may reasonably request as necessary or desirable for such purpose, at the Assignee's sole expense.
- 3. This Assignment may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and it shall not be necessary in making proof of this Assignment to produce or account for more than one set of counterparts signed by all of the parties. This Assignment shall become effective on the Effective Date.
- 4. This Assignment shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of New York without regard to its choice-of-law principles (other than Section 5-1401 and 5-1402 of the New York General Obligations Law).

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Assignment of Trademark Rights.

EMD CHEMICALS INC. As the Assignor
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Schedule A to the Assignment of Trademark Rights

Assigned Marks - Trademarks

Merck KGaA Trademark Registrations and Applications

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United States	TORQUE	3,511,124	10/07/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	TORQUE	723888	9/17/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	TORQUE	715276	5/27/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	CELL-TECH SCI	711935	4/15/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	NITRASTIK	711934	4/15/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
United States	NITRASTIK	3,526,363	11/4/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
United States	PEANUT SPECIAL	3,510,719	10/7/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	SOIL IMPLANT	725195	10/2/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	CUE	(1441192)	(11/6/2009)	Merck KGaA	Published
United States	CUE	(77908111)	(7/26/2009)	Merck KGaA	Published
ltaly	JEWEL	1285884	5/25/2010	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	JEWEL	715277	5/27/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	ANEW	723822	9/17/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered
Germany.	ANEW	307 69 830	12/6/2007	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	RATCHET	(1402145)	(7/4/2008)	Merck KGaA	Pending
United States	RATCHET	(77512542)	(7/1/2008)	Merck KGaA	Pending
Germany	REVEAL	307 69 824	12/6/2007	Merck KGaA	Registered
Canada	REVEAL	723889	9/17/2008	Merck KGaA	Registered

EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc. Trademark Registrations and Applications

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United States	BOLT	(App. No.) (77190203)	(5/25/2007)	EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc.	Pending
India	BOLT	(1624484)	(1-1/26/2007)	EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc.	Pending
Germany	BOLT	307 34 268	7/27/2005	EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc.	Registered
European Community	WAVE	006489124	10/30/2008	EMD Crop BioScience Canada Inc.	Registered

For "BOLT" Trademark, there exists a worldwide co-existence agreement with Bayer AG concerning their younger United States trademark "BELT" (serial no. 774,318,06).

Kazakhstan	WAVE	29024	5/15/2009	EMD Crop	Registered
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1.			<u></u>	Canada Inc.	
Turkey	WAVE	2007/62844	11/26/20070	EMD Crop	Registered
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Ukraine	WAVE	106721	5/12/2009	EMD Crop	Registered
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Canada	WAVE	716721	6/17/2008	EMD Crop	Registered
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Germany	WAVE	307 34 269	7/27/2007	EMD Crop	Registered
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Schedule B to the Assignment of Trademark Rights

Assigned Marks - Domain Names

Merck KGaA Domain Names

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nitragin.com.ar	transferring to Merck KGaA ²
	Gustavo La Rosa (from Merck IT department), but
	Merck has initiated the process of transferring to Merck
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nitragin.com	Merck KGaA

EMD Chemicals Inc. Domain Names

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cell-tech-sci.com	EMD Chemicals Inc.
cell-tech-sci.de	EMD Chemicals Inc.
cell-tech-sci.eu	EMD Chemicals Inc.
cell-tech-sci.info	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitragin-bonus.com	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitragin-bonus de	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitragin-bonus.eu	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitragin-bonus.info	EMD Chemicals Inc.
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nitrastik com	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitrastik de	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitrasfik:eu	EMD Chemicals Inc.
nitrastik info	EMD Chemicals Inc.
peanut-special.com	EMD Chemicals Inc.
peanut-special.de	EMD Chemicals Inc.
peanut-special.eu	EMD Chemicals Inc.
peanut-special.info	EMD Chemicals Inc.

As of Closing, these domain names have not yet been transferred to Assignee. Merck KGaA will complete assignment to Assignee of its right, title and interest to each of these domain names as soon as practicable, and will promptly provide notice to Assignee of the completion of such assignment, after Closing. Upon receipt by Merck KGaA of the transfer of record ownership by Onifur S.A. or Gustavo La Rosa, as applicable, the domain names shall be deemed transferred to Assignee in accordance with this Assignment.

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revv.eu	EMD Chemicals Inc.
revv.info	EMD Chemicals Inc.
azogreen.com	EMD Chemicals Inc.
azogreen de	EMD Chemicals Inc.
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TRADEMARK ASSIGNMENT

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CONVEYING PARTY DATA

Name	Formerly	Execution Date	Entity Type
EMD Crop BioScience, Inc.		05/31/2011	CORPORATION: DELAWARE

RECEIVING PARTY DATA

Name:	Novozymes BioAg, Inc.	
Street Address:	13100 West Lisbon Avenue	
City:	Brookfield	
State/Country:	WISCONSIN	
Postal Code:	53005	
Entity Type:	CORPORATION: DELAWARE	

PROPERTY NUMBERS Total: 12

Property Type	Number	Word Mark
Registration Number:	3511124	TORQUE
Registration Number:	3526363	NITRASTIK
Registration Number:	3510719	PEANUT SPECIAL
Registration Number:	4045742	RATCHET
Registration Number:	3020518	OPTIMIZE
Registration Number:	3020522	OPTIMIZE
Registration Number:	3067439	LIFT
Registration Number:	1418004	NITRAGIN
Registration Number:	1424478	SOIL IMPLANT
Registration Number:	1648610	CELL-TECH
Registration Number:	3394096	REVV
Registration Number:	3200913	LCO PROMOTER TECHNOLOGY

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Trademark/Service Mark Application, Principal Register

Serial Number: 77308151 Filing Date: 10/19/2007

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MARK INFORMATION		
*MARK	TORQUE	
STANDARD CHARACTERS	YES	
USPTO-GENERATED IMAGE	YES	
LITERAL ELEMENT	TORQUE	
MARK STATEMENT	The mark consists of standard characters, without claim to any particular font, style, size, or color.	
REGISTER	Principal	
APPLICANT INFORMATION		
*OWNER OF MARK	MERCK KGAA	
*STREET	Frankfurter Strasse 250	
*CITY	64293 Darmstadt	
*COUNTRY	Germany	
EMAIL ADDRESS	mail@ipcounselors.com	
LEGAL ENTITY INFORMATION		
ТҮРЕ	partnership limited by shares	
STATE/COUNTRY WHERE LEGALLY ORGANIZED	Germany	
NAME OF ALL GENERAL PARTNERS, ACTIVE MEMBERS, INDIVIDUAL, TRUSTEES, OR EXECUTORS, AND CITIZENSHIP/ INCORPORATION	Dr. Karl-Ludwig Kley (a German citizen), Dr. Michael Becker (a German citizen), Dr. Bernd Reckmann (a German citizen), Mr. Elmar Schnee (a Swiss citizen), and Mr. Walter W. Zywottek (a German citizen)	
GOODS AND/OR SERVICES AND BASIS	INFORMATION	

*INTERNATIONAL CLASS	001	
*IDENTIFICATION	Natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops	
FILING BASIS	SECTION 1(a)	
FIRST USE IN COMMERCE DATE	At least as early as 06/25/2007	
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FEE INFORMATION		
NUMBER OF CLASSES	1	
FEE PER CLASS	325	
*TOTAL FEE DUE	325	
*TOTAL FEE PAID	325	
SIGNATURE INFORMATION		
SIGNATURE	NOT PROVIDED	
SIGNATORY'S NAME	NOT PROVIDED	
SIGNATORY'S POSITION	NOT PROVIDED	
DATE SIGNED	NOT PROVIDED	

Trademark/Service Mark Application, Principal Register

Serial Number: 77308151 Filing Date: 10/19/2007

To the Commissioner for Trademarks:

MARK: TORQUE (Standard Characters, see <u>mark</u>)
The literal element of the mark consists of TORQUE.

The mark consists of standard characters, without claim to any particular font, style, size, or color.

The applicant, MERCK KGAA, a partnership limited by shares legally organized under the laws of Germany, comprising of Dr. Karl-Ludwig Kley (a German citizen), Dr. Michael Becker (a German citizen), Dr. Bernd Reckmann (a German citizen), Mr. Elmar Schnee (a Swiss citizen), and Mr. Walter W. Zywottek (a German citizen), having an address of

Frankfurter Strasse 250

64293 Darmstadt

Germany

requests registration of the trademark/service mark identified above in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on the Principal Register established by the Act of July 5, 1946 (15 U.S.C. Section 1051 et seq.), as amended.

International Class 001: Natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops

Use in Commerce: The applicant is using the mark in commerce, or the applicant's related company or licensee is using the mark in commerce, or the applicant's predecessor in interest used the mark in commerce, on or in connection with the identified goods and/or services. 15 U.S.C. Section 1051(a), as amended.

In International Class 001, the mark was first used at least as early as ______, and first used in commerce at least as early as 06/25/2007, and is now in use in such commerce. The applicant will submit one specimen(s) showing the mark as used in commerce on or in connection with any item in the class of listed goods and/or services, .

The applicant hereby appoints William C. Wright and Jason M. Drangel, Robert L. Epstein, Harold James, and Dermot M. Sheridan of Epstein Drangel Bazerman & James, LLP

60 East 42nd Street, Suite 820

New York, New York 10165

United States

to submit this application on behalf of the applicant.

The applicant hereby appoints William C. Wright of Epstein Drangel Bazerman & James, LLP

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as applicant's representative upon whom notice or process in the proceedings affecting the mark may be served.

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A fee payment in the amount of \$325 has been submitted with the application, representing payment for 1 class(es).

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TORQUE

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

SERIAL NO: 77/308151

MARK: TORQUE

77308151

CORRESPONDENT ADDRESS:

WILLIAM C. WRIGHT EPSTEIN DRANGEL BAZERMAN & JAMES.

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http://www.uspto.gov/teas/eTEASpageD.htm

GENERAL TRADEMARK INFORMATION: http://www.uspto.gov/main/trademarks.htm

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APPLICANT: MERCK KGAA

CORRESPONDENT'S REFERENCE/DOCKET

NO:

N/A

CORRESPONDENT E-MAIL ADDRESS:

OFFICE ACTION

TO AVOID ABANDONMENT, THE OFFICE MUST RECEIVE A PROPER RESPONSE TO THIS OFFICE ACTION WITHIN 6 MONTHS OF THE ISSUE/MAILING DATE.

ISSUE/MAILING DATE:

The assigned trademark examining attorney has reviewed the referenced application and has determined the following:

Search Results

The Office records have been searched and no similar registered or pending mark has been found that would bar registration under Trademark Act Section 2(d), 15 U.S.C. §1052(d). TMEP §704.02.

Specimen

The application is incomplete because it does not include the required specimen showing use of the applied-for mark in commerce for the goods and/or services identified in the application. An application based on Section 1(a) of the Trademark Act must include a specimen showing the applied-for mark in use in commerce for each class of goods and/or services. Trademark Act Sections 1(a) and 45, 15 U.S.C. §§1051(a) and 1127; 37 C.F.R. §§2.34(a)(1)(iv) and 2.56; TMEP §904.

Therefore, applicant must submit the following:

(1) <u>A specimen</u> (i.e., an example of how applicant actually uses its mark in commerce) for each class of goods and/or services based on use in commerce.

(2) The following statement, verified with an affidavit or signed declaration under 37 C.F.R. §2.20: "The specimen was in use in commerce at least as early as the filing date of the application." 37 C.F.R. §2.56(a); TMEP §904.09. If submitting a specimen requires an amendment to the dates of use, applicant must also verify the amended dates. 37 C.F.R. §2.71(c).

Examples of specimens for goods are tags, labels, instruction manuals, containers, photographs that show the mark on the goods or packaging, or displays associated with the goods at their point of sale. TMEP §§904.04 *et seq*. Examples of specimens for services are signs, photographs, brochures, website printouts or advertisements that show the mark used in the sale or advertising of the services. TMEP §§1301.04 *et seq*.

If applicant cannot satisfy the above requirements, applicant may amend the Section 1(a) filing basis (use in commerce) to Section 1(b) (intent to use basis), for which no specimen is required. However, should applicant amend the basis to Section 1(b), registration cannot be granted until applicant later amends the application back to use in commerce by filing an acceptable allegation of use with a proper specimen. 15 U.S.C. §1051(c); 37 C.F.R. §§2.76, 2.88; TMEP Chapter 1100. In the alternative, applicant may cancel the Section 1(a) basis and rely solely on the already asserted Section 44(e) basis, for which a specimen would not be required. 15 U.S.C. §1126(e); 37 C.F.R. §2.34(a)(3).

In order to amend the Section 1(a) basis to either Section 1(b) or Section 44(e) of the Trademark Act, applicant need only provide a written request to do so. TMEP §§806.02(g) and 806.03(g).

Pending a proper response, registration is refused for those goods and/or services based on Section 1(a), because applicant has not provided evidence of use in commerce of the applied-for mark. 15 U.S.C. §§1051(a) and 1127; 37 C.F.R. §§2.34(a)(1)(iv) and 2.56.

First Use Anywhere

The application does not specify the date of first use of the mark anywhere. 15 U.S.C. §1051(a)(2); 37 C.F.R. §2.34(a)(1)(ii); TMEP §§903 and 903.01. Both a date of first use anywhere and a date of first use in commerce must be provided, even if they are the same. TMEP §903.04.

Therefore, applicant must specify the date of first use of the mark anywhere. If the date of first use anywhere differs from the date of first use in commerce, applicant must verify the date of first use anywhere with an affidavit or signed declaration under 37 C.F.R. §2.20. 37 C.F.R. §2.71(c); TMEP §903. However, if the date of first use anywhere is the same as the date of first use in commerce, applicant need not verify the date of first use anywhere. TMEP §903.05.

Declaration

The application was not signed and verified, which are application requirements. 15 U.S.C. §§1051(a)-(b), 1126(d)-(e), 1141f(a); 37 C.F.R. §§2.33-2.34. Therefore, applicant must verify, in an affidavit or signed declaration under 37 C.F.R. §2.20, the facts set forth in the application.

If the application is based on **use in commerce** under Trademark Act Section 1(a), the verified statement must include the following allegation: "The mark is in use in commerce and was in use in commerce on or in connection with the goods or services listed in the application as of the application filing date." 15 U.S.C. §1051(a)(3)(C); 37 C.F.R. §2.34(a)(1)(i); TMEP §804.02.

If the application is based on an **intent to use the mark in commerce** under Trademark Act Section 1(b) or based on a **foreign registration** under Section 44, the verified statement must include the following allegation: "Applicant had a bona fide intention to use the mark in commerce on or in connection with the goods or services listed in the application as of the application filing date." 15 U.S.C. §§1051(b)(3)(B), 1126(d) and (e); 37 C.F.R. §§2.34(a)(2)(i), 2.34(a)(3)(i) and 2.34(a)(4)(ii); TMEP §§804.02, 806.01(b)-(d).

Significance of Mark

Applicant must specify whether "TORQUE" has any significance in the plant growth enhancement trade or industry, any geographical significance, or any meaning in a foreign language. 37 C.F.R. §2.61(b).

If the applicant has any questions or needs assistance in responding to this Office action, please telephone the assigned examining attorney.

/Chrisie Brightmire King/ Trademark Attorney Law Office 109 (571) 272-9179 chrisie.king@uspto.gov

RESPOND TO THIS ACTION: If there are any questions about the Office action, please contact the assigned examining attorney. A response to this Office action should be filed using the form available at http://www.uspto.gov/teas/eTEASpageD.htm. If notification of this Office action was received via e-mail, no response using this form may be filed for 72 hours after receipt of the notification. **Do not attempt to respond by e-mail as the USPTO does not accept e-mailed responses**.

If responding by paper mail, please include the following information: the application serial number, the mark, the filing date and the name, title/position, telephone number and e-mail address of the person signing the response. Please use the following address: Commissioner for Trademarks, P.O. Box 1451, Alexandria, VA 22313-1451.

STATUS CHECK: Check the status of the application at least once every six months from the initial filing date using the USPTO Trademark Applications and Registrations Retrieval (TARR) online system at http://tarr.uspto.gov. When conducting an online status check, print and maintain a copy of the complete TARR screen. If the status of your application has not changed for more than six months, please contact the assigned examining attorney.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Merck KGaA

Mark: TORQUE

Ser. No.: 77/308,151

Dated: October 19, 2007

DECLARATION

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. §1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the Declaration or any resulting registration, declares that: he/she is properly authorized to execute this form on behalf of the applicant; he/she believes the applicant to be the owner of the trademark sought to be registered; the applied for mark is in use in commerce and was in use in commerce on or in connection with the goods listed in the application at least as early as the application filing date; the applied for mark was first used anywhere on June 25, 2007 enclosed specimens are in use in commerce and have been in use in commerce on or in connection with the goods listed in the application since at least as early as the application filing date; the facts set forth in the application are true and correct; to the best of his/her knowledge and belief no other person, firm, corporation, or association has the right to use the mark in commerce, either in the identical form thereof or in such near resemblance thereto as to be likely, when used on or in connection with the goods/services of such other person, to cause confusion, or to cause mistake, or to deceive; and that all statements made of his/her own knowledge are true; and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Dated: Hory 21, 2008

BY:

Print Name: Helge Erkelenz

Title:

Authorised Representative

MERCK KGAA

MERCK KG

Dated: May 21, 2008

BY:

Authorised Representative

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

NOVOZYMES BIOAG, INC.,	
Opposer,	Opposition No. 91200105
v.)	
CLEARY CHEMICALS, LLC,	
Applicant.)	

ANSWERS TO APPLICANT'S FIRST SET OF COMBINED DISCOVERY REQUESTS

Now comes Opposer, Novozymes BioAg, Inc., and in answer to Applicant's Discovery Requests, states as follows:

Request for Admission No. 1.

Admit that the Declaration of Charles Broughton does not state that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 1:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 2.

Admit that the Declaration of Charles Broughton does not state that Exhibit 1 to his Declaration was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 2:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 3.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission. 3:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 4.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Charles
Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on goods meeting the description
"natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops."

Answer to Request for Admission No. 4:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 5.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 5:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 6.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 2 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on goods meeting the description "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops," apart from corn.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 6:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 7.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 3 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 7:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 8.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 4 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 8:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 9.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 5 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 9:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 10.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 5 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE was in use on goods meeting the description "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops," apart from corn.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 10:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 11.

Admit that the mark TORQUE has never been used on goods meeting the description "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops" apart from corn.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 11:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 12.

Admit that it cannot be determined from Exhibit 6 to the Declaration of Charles Broughton that the mark TORQUE mark was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 12:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 13.

Admit that Novozymes has no documents from which it can be determined that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Admission, 13:

Deny.

Request for Production of Documents No. 1.

If the response to Request for Admission No. 13 is anything but an unqualified admission, produce all documents from which it can be determined that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 1:

The documents will be produced.

Request for Admission No. 14.

Admit that Novozymes has no documents from which it can be determined that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007 on goods meeting the description "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in

agriculture crops," apart from corn.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 14:

Admit.

Request for Production of Documents No. 2.

If the response to Request for Admission No. 14 is anything but an unqualified admission, produce all documents from which it can be determined that the mark TORQUE was in use on June 25, 2007 on goods meeting the description "natural molecule or bacteria for plant growth enhancement in agriculture crops," apart from corn.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 2:

None.

Interrogatory No. 1.

State the nature of the affiliation between EMD Crop Bioscience Inc. and Merck KGAA on June 25, 2007.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 1:

Related company.

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Request for Admission No. 15.

Admit that at the time they signed the Declaration dated May 21, 2008, neither Erkelenz nor Kölle had personal knowledge of the use of the mark TORQUE in U.S. commerce.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 15:

Opposer does not know whether Erkelenz or Kolle had personal knowledge of the use of the mark TORQUE in U.S. commerce. However, on information and belief, this admission is denied.

Interrogatory No. 2.

If the response to Request for Admission No. 15 is anything but an unqualified admission, state the factual basis for your contention that either Erkelenz or Kölle had personal knowledge of the use of the mark TORQUE in commerce.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 2:

On information and belief, on or about October 17, 2007, Jody Sharp, a paralegal at EMD Chemicals in New York, sent Helge Erkelenz a Torque sell sheet. On information and belief, Ms. Sharp also sent Mr. Erkelenz a Torque specimen label on February 28, 2008. To the extent that receipt of these documents can be considered "personal knowledge," the admission is denied.

Request for Production of Documents No. 3.

If the response to Request for Admission No. 15 is anything but an unqualified admission, produce all documents from which it can be determined that either Erkelenz or Kölle had personal knowledge of the use of the mark TORQUE in commerce.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 3:

The document will be produced.

Interrogatory No. 3.

State who authorized William C. Wright to file the application to register the mark TORQUE.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 3:

Helge Erkelenz.

Request for Production of Documents No. 4.

Produce copies of all specimens provided to William C. Wright at the time of the filing of the application to register the mark TORQUE.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 4:

Opposer is without knowledge or information as to any documents provided to Mr. Wright at the time of filing of the application, but on information and belief, none.

Interrogatory No. 4.

Identify the person(s) who authorized Erkelenz and Kölle to execute the Declaration dated May 21, 2008.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 4:

On information and belief, Merck. Helge Erkelenz is a Trademark attorney for Merck and Kölle was his supervisor. Merck mandates that all documents have to be signed by two people.

Interrogatory No. 5.

State how Erkelenz and Kölle came into possession of the specimen attached to their Declaration dated May 21, 2008.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 5:

On information and belief, the specimen was provided by Jody Sharp, a former employee of EMD Chemicals, as an attachment to an email.

Interrogatory No. 6.

State the nature of the specimen attached to the Declaration of Erkelenz and Kölle dated May 21, 2008.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 6:

The specimen attached to the declaration is a 2008 specimen label identical to the 2007 specimen label created on September 22, 2007. This latter label is identical to the LCO-C IF specimen label initially adopted and used in February of 2007 except that the mark TORQUE has been substituted for the name LCO-C IF.

Interrogatory No. 7.

State "why" the application to register the mark TORQUE was filed by Merck KGAA and not EMD Crop Bioscience, Inc.

Answer to Interrogatory, 7:

Upon information and belief, Merck generally applies for and owns all trademarks of its subsidiaries. Other than this belief, opposer has no knowledge of why Merck applies for trademarks in its own name.

Interrogatory No. 8.

State whether the product identified in the description of the goods in U.S. Application Serial No. 77/942162 was sold in U.S. commerce by EMD Crop Bioscience, Inc. prior to June 25, 2007.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 8:

Yes.

Interrogatory No. 9,

If the product identified in the description of the goods was sold in U.S. commerce by EMD Crop Bioscience, Inc. prior to June 25, 2007, identify the name or names under which it was sold.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 9:

LCO-C IF.

Interrogatory No. 10.

State whether the product identified in the description of the goods of U.S. Registration No. 3,511,124 was sold in U.S. commerce by Merck KGAA prior to June 25, 2007.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 10:

Yes.

Interrogatory No. 11,

If the product identified in the description of the goods of U.S. Registration No. 3,511,124 was sold in U.S. commerce by Merck KGAA prior to June 15, 2007, identify the name or names under which it was sold.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 11:

The product identified in the description of goods of U.S. Reg. 3,511,124 was sold prior to June 25, 2007, by Merck's related company, EMD, under the name LCO-C IF.

Request for Admission No. 16.

Admit that Merck KGAA filed an extension of time in which to file this Opposition on January 31, 2011.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 16:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 17.

Admit that Merck KGAA assigned its entire interest and the goodwill in the mark TORQUE to EMD Crop BioScience Inc. on February 7, 2011.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 17:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 18.

Admit that EMD Crop BioScience Inc. filed this Opposition on June 2, 2011.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 18:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 19.

Admit that the Declaration of Charles Broughton does not state that Exhibit 1 to his Declaration was in use in commerce on or in connection with the goods listed in the registration at least as early as the application filing date.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 19:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 20.

Admit that the Declaration dated May 21, 2008 does not state that the first use of

the mark was by a predecessor in interest or a related company.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 20:

Admit.

Request for Admission No. 21.

Admit that Merck KGAA itself was not using the mark in U.S. commerce on the

application filing date.

Answer to Request for Admission No. 21:

Opposer can neither admit nor deny this request because the request is

vague. As indicated in response to Interrogatory No. 11, it is not known what is

meant by Merck KGAA "itself." Merck, through its related company EMD Crop

Bioscience, was using the mark TORQUE in U.S. commerce before the filing

date.

Interrogatory No. 12.

State the nature of the affiliation between EMD Crop Bioscience Inc. and Merck

KGAA on October 19, 2007.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 12:

Related company.

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Interrogatory No. 13,

State the nature of the affiliation between EMD Crop Bioscience Inc. and Merck KGAA on January 31, 2011.

Answer to Interrogatory No. 13:

Related company.

Request for Production No. 5.

Provide your earliest dated catalog illustrating the use of the mark TORQUE in U.S. commerce.

Answer to Request for Production No. 5:

None, but see the sell sheet produced in response to Document Request No. 3 to the extent that this one page document is equivalent to a catalog.

Request for Production of Documents No. 6.

Provide your earliest dated webpage illustrating the use of the mark TORQUE in U.S. commerce.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 6:

On information and belief, the specimen label was posted on EMD's website in 2007, but opposer has no copy of this web page. Opposer's current specimen label and other Torque materials are posted on its web page and are changed when updated. These documents will be produced as the "earliest dated web page" on hand.

Request for Production of Documents No. 7:

Provide documentation evidencing your earliest offer for sale of product under the TORQUE mark in U.S. commerce.

Answer to Request for Production of Documents No. 7:

The documents will be produced.

Request for Production No. 8.

Provide documentation evidencing your first sale of product under the TORQUE mark in U.S. commerce.

Answer to Request for Production No. 8:

The document will be produced.

Respectfully submitted,

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By:

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As to Objections,

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Declaration of Charles Broughton

The undersigned, being hereby warned that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. § 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the registration, declares that he is currently Director, Global Business Development of Novozymes BioAg Inc., formerly EMD Crop Bioscience Inc.; that he was employed by EMD Crop Bioscience Inc. in 2007 as Director, Marketing; that he has read the foregoing response; that he has personal knowledge of the truth of some of the answers; and that, in the remaining instances, he has been informed that the answers are true, and on the basis of that information and belief, believes them to be true.

Charles Broughton

Dated: October 19, 2012

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 22nd day of October, 2012, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Answers to Applicant's First Set of Combined Discovery Requests was served by U.S. mail and email on Applicant by serving Applicant's counsel addressed as follows:

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